

FIRE AT FUGITIVE

Negro Believed to Be Smith's
Slayer Seen.

RUN DOWN FALSE RUMORS

Testimony Is Begun in the Trial of
Barbara Pope for Violation of the
"Jim Crow" Law—Funeral Services
Held Over the Remains of Emanuel
W. Webb and Mrs. Mabel Gouges.



A fellow might be able to keep dry in a
straight downpour in Cincinnati—



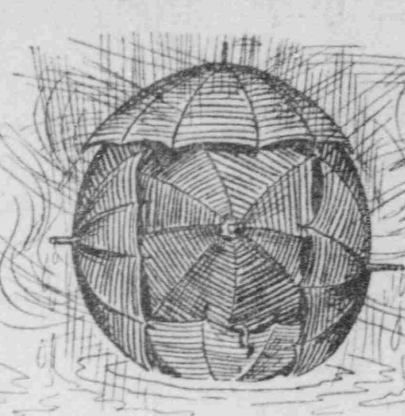
Or even in a head-on blizzard in Chicago—



Or in a rear attack down a Pittsburgh valley—



Or a deluge under foot in St. Louis—



But in Washington—

WASHINGTON HERALD BUREAU,
(By Telephone No. 1000.)
Corner Police and Royal Streets.
Parties of policemen and private citizens
to-day scoured the country immediately
adjoining this city in a fruitless search for
William Johnson, alias George Midget, the
negro who is alleged to have murdered
Charles T. Smith, son of Lieut. James
Smith, of the local police force, on upper
King street Saturday evening. As many
officers as could be detailed from their
regular duty were dispatched to every
likely point in the surrounding section.
Much excitement was created at a late
hour by a report that the murderer had
been surrounded in the woods three miles
west of the city.

Exchange Shots.

About 11 o'clock word was received at
the police station from Fred Brooks, an
English sailor, who was an eye-witness
to the shooting, that he had captured one
of the men concerned in the affair. He
also said that they had exchanged pistol
shots.

Chief Woods dispatched Officers Lyles,
Jones and Nicholson to the scene and
later started out himself. The chief at
midnight corroborated the statement
made by Brooks, that he had engaged in
a running duel with a negro and that
Brooks believed the man to be the one
wanted.

When the officers reached the scene
Brooks had been outdistanced by the
negro, who was making good time through
the woods near the Episcopal Theological
Seminary.

The officers remained on the ground to
continue their search at daybreak.
When the search was abandoned, a crowd
of several hundred gathered along King
street. There was no disorder and
no demonstration. Not a few, though,
expressed a determination to join a
lynching party should one be organized.

Once it was reported that a man
answering the description of the murderer
had been seen in the vicinity of the
seminary, about three miles from Alexan-
dria, shortly before 10 o'clock, but this
supposed lead failed to materialize. The
same late belief the rumor that a man
supposed to be the murderer had started
from a hiding place on the outskirts of
the city, and was being chased in the
direction of Hunting Creek.

The search of the police during the
day was divided principally between the
western section of the city and the ad-
joining area on the outside of the cor-
poration limits. The Hotel Jackson, where
the murderer had been stopping, was
scoured for traces of the fugitive, and
other houses were also searched from top
to bottom. A building at 1010 E. Street,
where Johnson was found, and was taken to
police headquarters. The police also took
charge of effects said to be the personal
belongings of the negro named Robinson
who is wanted on the charge of complicity
in the affair.

Saw Two Strange Negroes.

In connection with the belief, enter-
tained by some, that the fugitive made
a dash in the direction of Falls Church
or Fairfax Court House immediately
after the shooting, some significance was
attached to a telephone message received
at the station this morning to the effect
that a citizen living near East
Falls Church had seen two strange
negro men riding along the road at an
early hour Sunday morning. According
to the statement, one of the men was
heard to ask the other who he was, and
they should make of the horses, which
seemed jaded from hard riding. This
information, however, led to no tangible
developments.

In the Police Court this morning, Cora
Commer, Gertrude Robinson, and Sarah
Johnson, all colored, were given a hearing
on the charge of being implicated in the
assault upon Officer Nicholson at the
fair grounds, just before the fatal shoot-
ing. The women, who are confined to jail
for ten days by Justice Carter, await
the outcome of the investigation now
being conducted by the police. Sarah
Johnson claims to be the wife of William
Johnson.

Funeral services over the remains of
Mr. Smith will be held to-morrow after-
noon at 2 o'clock, at his late residence,
219 North Fairfax street, Rev. P. D. Phil-
lips, of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, and
Charles D. Sullivan, of the M. E. Church,
Southly, will officiate. The burial
will be made in Bethel Cemetery.

So far as the police are informed,
Johnson has not been seen and recog-
nized since he succeeded in escaping from
his pursuers immediately after the mur-
der.

At police headquarters to-day vigorous
exception was taken to certain published
statements which were thought to reflect
upon the conduct of the police in the
investigation. Chief Goods in the
most positive terms, expressed his re-
signment of the assertions in question.

This afternoon the following notice,
alike the statement of the chief of police,
appeared in the Alexandria Herald and
Monday's Washington Herald relating to
the murder of Charles T. Smith are au-
thentic:

In the Alexandria County Circuit Court,
Judge Charles E. Nichol presiding, evi-
dence was heard to-day in the case of
Barbara Pope, colored, on the charge of
violating the "Jim Crow" law. It was
testified that the defendant was a pas-
senger on a train on the Bluemont di-
vision of the Southern Road, and that
she had declined to comply with the regu-
lations prescribing different sections of
the cars for white and colored passen-
gers.

On the complaint of Capt. King,
the conductor in charge of the train, she
was given a hearing before Mayor
Hawthorne, of Falls Church, who im-
posed a fine of \$5. From his decision
the appeal was taken.

The trial was not concluded to-day,
and will be resumed to-morrow after-
noon at 2 o'clock, when Conductor King
will be summoned to testify. Com-
monwealth Attorney Mackey represented
the State during the proceedings.

It is stated that the case of W. J.
Blake against the Washington, Alexan-
dria and Mount Vernon Railroad Com-
pany, for \$35,000 damages, which had
been set for to-morrow, has been set-
tled out of court, but the terms of the
agreement are not announced. The suit
arose from a collision at Springfield
Park. The plaintiff was represented by
Attorney Leo P. Harlow. Attorney James
R. Cato and R. Walter Moore appeared
for the defendant company.

The funeral of Emanuel W. Webb,
whose death occurred last Friday, took
place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from his
late residence, 41 South Payne street.
The funeral service was held in session
in the old church for several days
past, and its sessions were concluded
with the sesqui-centennial celebration.

Webb had been a member for several
years, attended in a body. The par-
ticipants were chosen from their ranks.
Rev. W. E. Fisher, of the First Baptist
Church conducted the services, and the
interment was in the Methodist Protest-
ant Cemetery.

Funeral services over the remains of
Mrs. Mabel Gouges, whose death oc-
curred at the Alexandria Hospital, Sat-
urday last, were held this afternoon at
2 o'clock at the undertaking rooms of
B. Wheatley, on King street. Rev. Dr.
Samuel A. Wallis, of the Episcopal The-
ological Seminary, officiated, and the in-
terment took place in the family lot near
the seminary. The pallbearers were An-
drew Cleveland, Rozier Cleveland, Rich-
ard Cleveland, and John Cline.

In the Police Court this afternoon
Lawrence Petty was fined \$50 on the
charge of stealing clothing from the
Southern Railway Company, and Edward
Waters was fined a like amount on the
charge of receiving the stolen property.
They had been in jail awaiting trial for
several days.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Grady,
who died yesterday morning at her home,
819 Queen street, took place this after-
noon at 4 o'clock from the family resi-
dence. The services were conducted by
Rev. J. A. Jeffers, of Trinity Methodist
Episcopal Church, and the burial took
place in the Methodist Protestant Cem-
etery.

C. C. Hurley was arrested by Officer
Sherry and taken to the station on the
charge of carrying concealed weapons and
of assaulting Robert Arnold, the proprietor
of an oyster house, on North St. Asaph
street.

WOMAN FLEES FROM ASYLUM

Mrs. Minnie Denham Escapes from
Baltimore Institution.

No Trace of Inmate of Sheppard and
Enoch Pratt Hospital Found.
Police Aid in Search.

Baltimore, Oct. 22.—Mrs. Minnie Den-
ham, an inmate of the Sheppard and
Enoch Pratt Hospital, at Towson, has
disappeared. The combined police force
of the city and county and all the at-
tendants of the asylum have been unable
to locate her.

Mrs. Denham left the institution be-
tween 5 and 6 o'clock on Thursday morn-
ing, October 18, while the nurses were
changing ward by wrenching the bars
from her window and climbing out to the
ground.

The escape was almost immediately dis-
covered, and all the available attendants
were dispatched in search of the unfor-
tunate woman. When it became apparent
that she would not be found close to the
institution the police of both city and
county were notified and a systematic
search was begun. So far, however, not a
sign has been discovered, and efforts
have been redoubled.

A letter from Mrs. Denham's brother,
P. B. Buxton, of Frederick County, an-
nounces that she has not been seen
there. Under stress of excitement, Mr.
Brush believes she might have walked
that distance.

A police officer who combats the suicide
theory, Dr. Brush said, "Is that Mrs.
Denham has the opposite of the suicide
mania. One of her delusions is that she
cannot die, that she will live forever."

HARD FIGHT ON SLEEP.

Many Democratic Speakers Sent to
Aid Robert P. Bruce.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 22.—Robert P.
Bruce, Democratic candidate for Con-
gress from the Ninth district, in opposi-
tion to Col. Campbell Slem, the present
Republican incumbent, has only two
weeks left in which to complete his cam-
paign. During that period he will strain
every nerve to gain votes.

His party, too, will bend every ef-
fort to aid him. Some of the most popu-
lar leaders of the State are expected to
stamp the Southwest between now and
the day of election. S. L. Kelly will
spend a week speaking at local points in
Washington County, Ex-Gov. A. J. Mon-
roe will probably make several speeches
in the district, and Judge William
Hodges Mann, defeated candidate for gov-
ernor in the last election; former Con-
gressman Harry S. George Tucker, and
Gov. R. W. Byrd will also speak in the
interest of Bruce.

Dr. J. W. Simmons, the Republican
candidate in the Fifth district, is mak-
ing an active fight against Judge E. W.
Saunders, the Democratic nominee.

Shenandoah Flood Receding.

Special to the Washington Herald.
Winchester, Va., Oct. 22.—Further dan-
ger from the flood along the course of
the Shenandoah River seems past. The
flood receding twenty-one feet above low
water, the highest in seventeen years.
Whole fields of corn were swept away,
and much valuable fencing and many
small buildings carried down stream. The
loss will run into the thousands of dol-
lars.

Celebrate Sesqui-centennial.

The old Stone Presbyterian Church, at
Timber Ridge, Rockbridge County, Va.,
celebrated its sesqui-centennial yesterday.
The event was of great interest to Pres-
byterians throughout the Virginia valley,
who attended in large numbers. An in-
teresting programme was presented. The
Lancaster Presbytery had been in ses-
sion in the old church for several days
past, and its sessions were concluded
with the sesqui-centennial celebration.

Milton T. Phelps Is Buried.

Special to the Washington Herald.
Laurel, Md., Oct. 22.—The funeral of
Milton T. Phelps was held from the Lib-
erty Grove Methodist Episcopal Church,
Burtonsville, near Laurel, services being
conducted by Rev. Mr. Smith, pastor of
the church. Mr. Phelps died of injuries
received in falling down an air shaft
a few days ago at the American Malt-
ing Company's building at Buffalo, N. Y.

Girl Dies of Typhoid Fever.

Special to the Washington Herald.
Boyd's, Md., Oct. 22.—Helen Frizell,
after several weeks' illness of typhoid
fever, died at the home of her parents at
Cedar Grove, Montgomery County, to-
day, aged sixteen years. Her father is
a prominent dairyman in that section.

WANT CONVICTS ON ROADS.

Boulevard to Exposition Grounds
Will Give them Employment.

Special to the Washington Herald.
Richmond, Va., Oct. 22.—P. St. Julian
Wilson, State highway commissioner, went
to Norfolk this afternoon to meet
Capt. L. W. Page, who is in charge of
the construction of the Department of
Agriculture, Washington, which has an-
nounced its purpose of aiding in the
construction of the boulevard from Norfolk
to the exposition grounds and the road
from Williamsburg to Jamestown.

"We want to find out just to what ex-
tent the government is willing to take
hold of this matter," said Capt. Wilson
before his departure for Norfolk to-day.

"We will work out the convicts we can
get on this work, and the idea is to con-
struct a road that will be of practicable
benefit, durable, and which will serve to
illustrate the feasibility and cost of mak-
ing good roads in every section of the
State."

LAND GRAB STIRS VILLAGE.

Charged That Stephens City Is in
Danger of Losing Commons.

Special to the Washington Herald.
Winchester, Va., Oct. 22.—Claiming that
a well-laid scheme to grab a public
square, or commons, the largest of the
founder of their town, the citizens of
Stephens City, this county, to-day held
a public mass-meeting, and vigorously
denounced the outrage.

Resolutions were adopted calling atten-
tion to the situation, and urging all the
citizens of the town to unite with the
mayor and councilmen to prevent the
threatened outrage.
Lewis Stephens, who founded the town,
set apart a parcel of land for the per-
petual use and enjoyment of the citizens
of the town forever. It is claimed that
a plan to seize the square and subdi-
vide it into building lots for sale has
just been unearthed, hence the protest,
which has taken a most vigorous shape
and has set the whole town a-ago.

OYSTER SURVEY DELAYED.

Wet Weather Interferes with Work
of Annapolis Commission.

Annapolis, Oct. 22.—The wet weather
of the last week interfered materially with
the survey work of the engineering corps
of the Shellfish Commission and delayed
the intended transfer of the base of opera-
tions from West to Mosquito River.
The survey work, which is to be done on
the beds about Herby Bay, after which the
work nearer Baltimore will be taken up.

The first steps in the proposed ex-
periments and investigation to determine
whether or not the Baltimore sewage will
damage the oyster beds near the head
of the bay were taken the latter part of
last week.

TO MEET IN WASHINGTON.

Potomac Synod Reformed Church
Concludes Work.

Special to the Washington Herald.
Chambersburg, Pa., Oct. 22.—With to-
day's sessions the Potomac Synod Re-
formed Church concluded its work and ad-
journing to meet next October in Grace
Memorial church, Washington.

Rev. Dr. George C. Snyder was heard
in behalf of Catawba College, at Newton,
N. C., of which he is president. The or-
ganic relation of the college to Potomac
Synod again, as at several annual ses-
sions, came up for considerable discus-
sion. The synod holds that it is not in
organic relation, but it is promised by the
board of the institution that steps will
be taken to place in into such relation.

WASHINGTONIANS WILL WED.

Marriage Licenses Issued at Rock-
ville to Residents of This City.

Special to the Washington Herald.
Rockville, Md., Oct. 22.—Marriage li-
censes were issued here to-day to
Henry Hughes, aged forty-four years, and
Miss Margaret Harding, aged forty-two
years, both of Washington, D. C.; John
Epton Leeman, aged twenty-eight, and
Miss Augusta Alberta Grosdenford, aged
twenty-eight, both of Germantown, this
county; Charles H. Davidson, aged thirty-
five, of Washington, D. C., and Miss
Frances I. Sumner, aged twenty-five, of
Kensington, Md.; and Thomas H. Black-
well, aged twenty-five, and Miss Maude
E. Heatons, aged seventeen, both of
Besse City, Va.

Hope to Save the George Farwell.

Norfolk, Va., Oct. 22.—The American
coasting steamer George Farwell, ashore
at Cape Henry, has been driven still near-
er land by the continuing northeast gale
and heavy sea. A wrecking steamer will
try and save both the cargo and the vessel
when the storm abates.

Lieut. Elliott Buried.

At Arlington yesterday, the remains of
First Lieut. Robert M. Elliott, Artillery
Corps, were interred with military hon-
ors. Lieut. Elliott died at Fort Monroe
on October 19. He was a native of Illi-
nois, and entered the army in 1887 as a
private. In 1890 he was appointed second
lieutenant, and reached the grade of
first lieutenant in 1891. He was in at-
tendance at the Artillery School at Fort
Monroe, where he contracted the illness
which proved fatal.

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two dollars a day.

ALL ABOUT A TIN CAN

Secretary Bonaparte Defend-
ant in Law Suit.

SUM INVOLVED IS \$27.28

Baltimore Neighbor Wants Head of
Navy Department to Help Pay for
Having the Can Removed from a
Sewer, Which It Blocked During
Storm—Mr. Bonaparte a Witness.

Baltimore, Oct. 22.—Charles J. Bon-
aparte, Secretary of the Navy, anchored
off the City Court this morning and took
the stand before Judge Sharp to testify
as defendant in a suit for \$27.28, brought
by Mrs. Eleanor Merryman, 233 East La-
fayette avenue. To try the case will cost,
Judge, one-half day, \$8.25; one clerk, one-half
day, \$2.50; court costs, about \$2. Total,
\$29. To this amount should be added the
lost time by Secretary Bonaparte and
Attorneys Joseph P. Merryman, husband
of the plaintiff; C. Dodd McFarland, as-
sociate counsel for the plaintiff, and Paul
M. Burnett, counsel for the defendant.
Mr. Bonaparte made an argument which,
if he charged it up against himself at the
regular rates, would materially swell the total.

How Trouble Started.

It was an expensive action, the basis
of which is one tin can, two inches in
diameter, four inches long, and in-
dented by one lot of coffee grounds, one
collection of congealed grease, and one
lot of broken egg-shells. Because all
this got into the sewer and backed water
into his house, and because Mrs. Merry-
man had the sewer fixed up at a cost of
about \$30, and because Mr. Bonaparte re-
fused to pay a share of the cost, Mr.
Merryman is making it interesting for
Mr. Bonaparte for himself, in for the
entire neighborhood. The suit is to re-
cover what Mr. Merryman claims to be a
just contribution toward a common
fund for community safety. It is brought
by his wife, but Mrs. Merryman did not
appear in the proceedings verbally or by
documents as a witness.

Judge Sharp took the case under ad-
visement, pending a consultation with
Judge Stockbridge, who, with the late
Judge Baer, had some previous difficul-
ties growing out of the same tin can on
his hands.

It Wasn't His Can.

"The tin can could not have come from
my house," Mr. Merryman said. "I
have lived in that house twenty years,
and we never used such a tin can." It
had been testified that the plug in the
"T" in Mr. Merryman's house was found
missing, while the adjoining houses had
their plugs, and the defendant had been
trying to buy the tin can at Mr. Merry-
man's door.

Explaining the whole case from his
viewpoint, Mr. Merryman said that, find-
ing the sewer stopped up, he had imme-
diately summoned a plumber and left no
notice for Mr. Bonaparte of the pending
financial crisis incident to paying the
bill. Others agreed to pay their proportion.

Mr. Bonaparte a Witness.

Mr. Bonaparte took the stand. He had
been previously sworn. He was bland
and smiling, and gentle. He bore no re-
semblance whatever to a man who has
been called from the seat of war by a
tin can. He said that the house in ques-
tion had been occupied by six different
tenants during the period of incubation
of the present trouble. When he turned
the property into an apartment house it
was necessary to connect by sewers. He
found a sewer over which there was a
dispute as to ownership. Before he would
pay his share he wanted to be protected
by some paper. He understood there had
been some trouble between Mr. Merry-
man and Dr. Ward.

"Who's litigious, sir?" demanded Mr.
Merryman, rising from his seat.

Well, smilingly replied the Secretary
of the Navy, "my information was that
you were very litigious."

"I'm no more litigious than you are,"
"Well, my information—" Mr. Merryman
said, "I was litigious!"

After which Counsel Burnett offered two
prayers. They were both intended to
throw the case out of court on the
grounds that Mrs. Merryman had no
right to sue, and that no evidence of any
sort of proprietorship on her part had
been introduced. Mr. Bonaparte himself
took a hand.

She Doesn't Own Anything.

"Mrs. Merryman," he said, "doesn't own
anything—doesn't own the sewer—doesn't
own the house. She is only a tenant.
Why, Your Honor, this lady is only a
volunteer!"

The arguments, in brief, were:

For the Plaintiff.—That the sewer was
repaired for the common good, and that
on both moral and legal grounds Mr.
Bonaparte was liable.

For the Defendant.—That Mrs. Merry-
man had no right to sue in the first
place; and if that was overruled, that
the defendant could not be held for a
debt concerning the creation of which he
had never been consulted.

For the Tin Can.—The tin was two
inches in diameter, and four inches long,
and that it couldn't be held liable, be-
cause under the law it was a vagrant
and had no visible means of support.

Farming for Young Men.

From the Indianapolis News.

There is reason to believe that "love for
the land" is spreading within our borders.
It is becoming more and more the domi-
nant force in determining the careers of
many of our young men. Many students
now in agricultural schools have chosen
their profession not because of business
advantages or because through inheri-
tance they are tied to the farm. They
have chosen it mainly because of a gen-
uine "love for the land" and the in-
dependence it gives to its workers. Many
cases have recently been recorded in
which farm life has been chosen in preference
to business or professional openings
which have offered greater promise of re-
turn in dollars and cents. Still the pecu-
niary prospects for a young man well
trained in agriculture are not to be de-
spised.

WILL UNVEIL MONUMENT.

Dead Naval Officer Will Be Honored
by State of Washington.

Special to the Washington Herald.
Annapolis, Md., Oct. 22.—Invitations to
the unveiling ceremonies of a monument to
the late Ensign J. R. Monaghan, U. S. N.,
in Spokane, Wash., October 15,
have been received by friends of the dead
officer in Annapolis. The monument was
erected by the State.

Ensign Monaghan was killed a few
years ago while defending his superior
officer, Lieut. Landsdale, who was
wounded.

Ensign Monaghan was graduated from
the Naval Academy with the class of 1885.
Ensign Worth Bagley, who was killed on
a torpedo boat while off Matanzas dur-
ing the conflict with Spain, was a mem-
ber of the same class.

WOOD MAY SUCCEED WADE.

War Department Hears Rumor Re-
garding the Atlantic Division.

There is a well-defined rumor in the
War Department that Maj. Gen. Leonard
Wood will succeed Maj. Gen. James F.
Wade as commander of the Atlantic Di-
vision, when General Wade retires next
April. There has, however, been no offi-
cial confirmation of the story.

If Gen. Wood is brought home from
the Philippines, where he is in command
of the Philippine Division, Maj. Gen. John
F. Watson, commanding the Depart-
ment of Luzon, is expected to succeed
him as commander of the division.

Col. Noble Retired.

Orders have been issued for the retire-
ment of Col. Charles H. Noble, Tenth
Infantry, with the rank of brigadier gen-
eral. Col. Noble, who has reached the
age of sixty-two years, served through
the Civil War as private and corporal
of the First Indiana Volunteer Cavalry.
He was made second lieutenant of the
Sixteenth Infantry of the regular army,
and attained his colonelcy in June, 1902,
receiving the command of the Tenth In-
fantry. He has been stationed of late at
Fort William H. Seward, Alaska.

NAVAL VESSEL MOVEMENTS.

Arrived: Newark, at Havana, Virginia and Louisi-
ana, at Tampa; at St. Louis, at Rockland from
Portland, N. H.; Chicago, Paul Jones, Preble,
and Princeton, at San Francisco; Federal, at
San Francisco, at San Juan; Latham, at
Lambert; Gleason, at Gibraltar.

Sailed: Gleason, from San Francisco for Mexico;
Yardley, from Boston for New York; Scudder, from
Miami, Florida, for Guantanamo, Cuba, for
New York.

ARMY ORDERS.

Transfers.

The travel performed October 8, 1906, by Maj.
George K. Roberts, commanding the Tenth
Infantry, was transferred to the Tenth In-
fantry, with the rank of brigadier gen-
eral, for the purpose of making the troops of the
Sixty-third and Sixty-fourth companies, Coast Ar-
tillery, on the master of the Tenth Infantry, from
Fort William H. Seward, Alaska, to
Fort Mifflin, Pa.

Leave of Absence.

Leave of absence for fifteen days, to take effect
October 23, 1906, was granted to Lieut. Gilbert C.
Smith, Second Cavalry.

Special Orders.

Contract Surgeon Samuel B. McPherson, U. S. A.,
will proceed from St. Louis, Mo., to Fort Bel-
mont, Neb., and report in person to the commanding
officer of that post for duty and by letter to the
commanding general, Department of the Missouri.
Second Lieut. Nelson E. Margels, Artillery Corps,
now attached to the Tenth Infantry, Field Artillery,
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